

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO HIM, O LORD, AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HIM. MAY HE REST IN PEACE. AMEN.

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# **Twenty-Seventh Sunday of the Year**

October 3, 2021

"...a man shall leave his father and mother, and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh."

Mark 10: 2-16

Thomas Merton wrote that "love seeks one thing only - the good of the one loved. It leaves all other secondary effects to take care of themselves. Love, therefore, is its own reward." Such selfless love is the true bone of marriage. It is sacred and holy, mirroring the great and limitless love of God. A couple's life together - a life centered in trust, forgiveness and love and their generous response to the vocation of parenthood model the unfathomable and profound love of God, love that lets go rather than hold on, happily gives rather than takes, liberates rather than imprisons. The Sacrament of Marriage, as Jesus taught, is a total giving and sharing by each spouse so that the line between "his" and "hers" disappears into only "ours." In the life they create together, life that means both taking on and letting go for the sake of the beloved. Christ is the ever-present Wedding Guest, who makes their simple, everyday life together a miraculous sacrament, in which the love of God is revealed to all of us in their love for one another.

#### POOR CLARES' PRAYER LINE

Do you need prayer today? Are your loved ones, coworkers or neighbors in need of God's loving guidance? Call the Poor Clares' Prayer Line at 216-361-0783.

## Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday: Jon 1: 1 – 2: 2, 11; Lk 10: 25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3: 1-10; Lk 10: 38-42 Wednesday: Jon 4: 1-11; Lk 11: 1-4 Thursday: Mal 3: 13-20; Lk 11: 5-13 Friday: Jl 1: 13-15; 2: 1-2; Lk 11: 15-26

Saturday: Jl 4: 12-21; Lk 11: 27-28

Sunday: Wis 7: 7-11; Heb 4: 12-13; Mk 10: 17-30

#### Mass Intention Book 2022

The Mass Intention Book for 2022 is open. Masses are still available for this year. You might like to remember the birthday or anniversary of your living loved ones, as well as the deceased. Mass stipends are \$10.00. Please call the Rectory office at 226-5116 to schedule Masses.

#### **CENTERING SPACE**

14812 Lake Avenue, Lakewood – 216-228-7451

# <u>Taize Prayer</u> <u>Celebrating St. Francis of Assisi &</u> Care for Creation

Sunday, October 3rd - 6 pm - 7 pm



Bring your own chair - Registration not required.

#### Saint Vincent de Paul Blanket Sunday

The 35th Annual Blanket Sunday appeal kicks off the weekend of October 9-10, 2021. Last year, funds from the appeal were used to purchase 4,500+ new winter blankets that were provided to the homeless and 179 beds/mattresses for low-income individuals and families throughout Northeast Ohio. The need is great and donations can be made securely online: <a href="https://donate.svdpcle.org/blanket-sunday-donations/">https://donate.svdpcle.org/blanket-sunday-donations/</a>. Checks may also be mailed to: St. Vincent de Paul Society Blanket Sunday, 1404 East 9th Street-3rd Floor, Cleveland, OH 44114. Thank you for helping us "blanket" neighbors in warmth and compassion!

#### Sisters of St. Joseph Prayer Line:

216-252-0548

#### **Coffee & Donuts**

Don't miss an opportunity to get to know your parish family - join us in the church hall after the 9 am & 11 am Sunday Masses for coffee and donuts. Visitors, please join us - all are welcome!



### Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, October 4 - Saint Francis of Assisi

For those serving in the Military

Tuesday, October 5 - Blessed Francix Xavier Seelos

8:00 AM † Jim Hanley

Wednesday, October 6 - Saint Bruno &

Blessed Marie Rose Durocher

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5:15 PM † Poor Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, October 7 – Our Lady of the Rosary

8:00 AM † Bill Kennedy

Friday, October 8 - Weekday

5:15 PM Juliana Ersek (Living)

Saturday, October 9 – Saint Denis & Companions

† Ken Hayton 8:00 AM

4:00 PM † George Allen, Jr.

Sun., October 10 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM For the People of the Parish

11:00 AM † David Peeler



#### LCA Early Childhood & Kindergarten Open House

Lakewood Catholic Academy will host an Open House

featuring their Early Childhood and Kindergarten Programs on Sunday,

October 24, 2021, from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm. Families with children ages six weeks through five years old are invited to tour the school and learn more. Registration is required by visiting admissions: lakewoodcatholicacademy.com/FallOpenHouse.

#### **Walking with Purpose**

Walking

The season will begin Thursday, October 7th, 2021, and conclude on April 28, 2022. We will meet in-person at St. James on Thursdays, from 7:30 pm to

9 pm. We are currently planning on only having in-person small groups. However, if you are interested in a virtual option, please email:

wwplakewood@gmail.com.

#### **Unity Catholic Federal Credit Union** Member Appreciation Week 10/18 - 10/23

Stop by any office this week for your chance at 1 of 10 \$50 Visa gift cards. PLUS, fun activities, snacks and give-a-ways. Don't forget about our last Community Shred Day of the year on Saturday, October 23rd, at our Parma Location from 10 am to 1 pm. Visit www.unitycatholiccu.org for complete details.

#### Life Chain

You are invited to join men, women, and children from all over the nation who will give witness to the sacredness of life by standing in silent prayer on the sidewalks in front of the nation's abortion clinics. Please join us Sunday, October 3rd, from 2 pm - 3:30 pm at 20800 Center Ridge Rd., across from the former Westgate Mall. Details are on the church bulletin boards.

#### **Birthright Celebrates 50 Years of Services**



Birthright of Cleveland is celebrating 50 years of serving the pregnant women and their babies in the community. To mark the

occasion, we are holding a banquet on October 14th, at Brennan's. The keynote speaker for this event will be Rev. Donald Dunson. We would like to invite all who support our mission of caring for women throughout their pregnancy and beyond to join us in celebrating our life-giving work. For more information or to purchase tickets, please call Carol at 440-333-4228.

#### **GRAPEVINE**

Catholics Hanging Out

St. Luke Catholic Church 1212 Bunts Road, Lakewood

Every Thursday

6:45 pm - Show Up

7:00 pm - Discuss

8:00 pm - Socialize

Open to all young adults (ages 18-30ish). Meet by McBride Hall, bring a lawn chair. Unified in faith, we seek to live in the truth, searching out meaning, purpose, and identity through conversation and friendship. We meet not just for ourselves, but to become branches of hope in the secular world. We warmly invite you to join us. Stay up to date: @grapevine.cle on Instagram.

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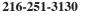
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